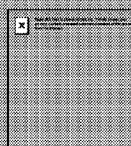


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Again, a catastrophe occurs and MOSES members come to the rescue. In just 72 hours, somehow our members, employees from MWRA, DEP, DPH, DCR, MEMA and Public Safety all worked to do the impossible: Repair a catastrophic leak in a 10 foot pipe that provides safe drinking water to nearly 2 million Massachusetts residents from 30 cities and towns.

With 8 million gallons of water per hour pouring into the Charles River the Commonwealth began preparations for what could have taken weeks to resolve. However, within hours of the break a back-up supply of chlorinated but not fully treated water was in place and a replacement part to the pipe coupling (initially believed near impossible to find) was located. Welders worked through the night and by early Monday morning the pipe was repaired, pressure tested and flowing with fully treated water to the residents of Massachusetts. Over the next 24 hours 800 water samples from 482 locations were collected and tested to assure residents that their drinking water was restored to the optimum quality enjoyed before the rupture.

I want to thank all that participated in this enormous task. You serve the residents of the Commonwealth each day with pride and passion for your work and complete dedication to your agency even in these unprecedented difficult times when we are being asked to do more with less. You have again demonstrated the value of the important work that you do and true meaning of public service. I could not be more proud of the work you do for the citizens of Massachusetts and I am honored to serve as President of MOSES.

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